

REMARKS

Applicant's wish to thank Examiner Douglas Blair for his willingness to discuss the Office Action mailed April 6, 2006. Per our discussion on May 31, 2006, independent claims 1, 11 and 23 have been amended to more clearly claim the Applicants' disclosed subject matter. In addition, arguments are presented below to substantiate allowance of the currently pending claims of this patent application. Accordingly, it is our belief that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance. Moreover, the amended claims do not present new matter or additional matter which requires further prior art searching. Furthermore, it is our understanding the Applicants' representative will be contacted by phone in the event Examiner Blair determines any issues are preventing this application from issuance.

Applicants have now had an opportunity to carefully consider the Examiner's comments set forth in the Final Office Action of April 6, 2006.

The Office Action

Claims 1-7, 9-19 and 21-23 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-6, 11-12 16 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 5,970,475 to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 to Breen, Jr. et al.

Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 5,970,475 to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 to Breen, Jr. et al. in further view of U.S. Patent Number 6,415,320 to Hess et al.

Claims 9 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 5,970,475 to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 to Breen, Jr. et al. in further view of U.S. Patent Number 6,636,863 to Friesen.

Claims 10, 14, 17, 18 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 5,970,475 to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 to Breen, Jr. et al. in further view of U.S. Patent Number 5,987,423 to Arnold et al.

Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S.

Patent Number 5,970,475 to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 to Breen, Jr. et al. in further view of U.S. Patent Number 5,987,423 to Arnold et al. and U.S. Patent Number 6,415,320 to Hess et al.

With regard to independent claims 1, 11 and 23, and all claims depending therefrom, claims 2-7, 9, 10, 12-19, 21 and 22, these claims stand rejected as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 5,970,475 issued to Barnes et al. in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,598,027 issued to Breen, Jr. et al.

The Office Action mailed April 6, 2006 argues Barnes et al. discloses a system for user selectable items comprising:

user selectable inventory items comprising forms associated with particular groups (Barnes et al. at Figure 12 showing a template created for specific groups); and

a server computer system configured to (1) associate one or more of a plurality of work sites with each user of the system, where each worksite defines a group of users associated with a common group (Barnes et al. at col. 22, line 46 - col. 23, line 35), and (2) associate inventory items with the one or more work sites. (Barnes et al. at col. 22, line 46 - col. 23, line 35).

The Office Action goes on to discuss other features disclosed in Barnes et al. at col. 22, line 46 - col. 23, line 35 which are associated with the Applicants' claimed subject matter as it relates to work sites.

In addition, the Office Action mailed April 6, 2006 argues Barnes et al. does not explicitly disclose groups can be associated with a common geographical area, however, Breen, Jr. et al. teaches at col. 2, lines 16-57, a system for generating a requisition with user selectable inventory items comprising forms associated with a particular geographical area where the groups of users are associated with the geographical area. This argument goes on to state it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to combine the teachings of Breen Jr. et al. and Barnes et al. because Barnes suggests at Figure 19 that groups can be based on geographical locations.

The arguments presented in the Office Action mailed April 6, 2006 and briefly discussed above are respectively traversed for the reasons discussed below.

The Applicants' claimed subject matter includes a system for generating a requisition for user selectable inventory items. As claimed in independent claims 1, 11 and 23, and all claims that depend therefrom, the system comprises user selectable inventory items including printed materials associated with a particular geographical area. Moreover, the claimed system comprises a server computer system configured to "associate one or more of a plurality of web page work sites with each of said users, each worksite accessible to a specific group of users associated with a common geographical area."

The Applicants' claimed subject matter is distinguishable from Barnes et al. in view of Breen, Jr. et al. because these cited references do not disclose or teach selectable inventory items including printed material associated or tailored for a specific geographical area, for example insurance forms. In addition, these cited references do not disclose or teach the use of a work site as claimed. Specifically, a worksite accessible to a specific group of users associated with a common geographical location.

CONCLUSION

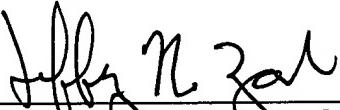
For the reasons detailed above, it is submitted all claims remaining in the application (**Claims 1-7, 9-19 and 21-23**) are now in condition for allowance. The foregoing comments do not require unnecessary additional search or examination.

No additional fee is believed to be required for this Amendment. However, the undersigned attorney of record hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he/she is hereby authorized to call Jeffrey N. Zahn, at Telephone Number (216) 861-5582.

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